

REMARKS

Claims 10, 12-14, 16-19, 21-36, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49-62, 64-69, 71-76, 78-92, 101, 102, 104, 107-109, 111, 112, 117-129, 133, 135, and 138-142 are in this case. Claims 16, 41 and 122 have been amended to correct clerical errors.

All of claims 10, 12-14, 16-19, 21-36, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 47, 49-62, 64-69, 71-76, 78-92, 101, 102, 104, 107-109, 111, 112, 117-129, 133, 135, and 138-142 are objected to because the previous amendment faxed to the Patent Office on February 25, 2005 was at least in part illegible. Applicants believe that the previously filed amendment was entered and that all that is required to obviate the objection is a legible copy of the amendment that was filed.

Attached hereto as Appendix A is a copy of the Amendment and Response filed by FAX on February 25, 2005. The copy is identical in subject matter to the amendment faxed, however, the font size of letters and numerals in chemical formulas in the listing of claims has been increased or the size of the entire chemical formula has been increased to improve legibility of subscripts and other notation in the formulas. No new matter has been added to the Response.

Claim Amendments

Claims 16, 41 and 122 have been amended to correct clerical error.

Claim 16 has been amended to replace the numeral "1" with the letter "I" which is consistent with the formula of the claim.

Claim 41 has been amended to replace the variable "Q" with the definition of that variable which is "N, O, S." The phrase "D is Q or a bond" was introduced into claim 41 by amendment filed November 21, 2003. Claim 41 had been previously amended to depend from claim 1 where Q is defined as "N, O or S." Thus, we have inserted the definition of Q from original claim 1 into claim 41.

Claim 122 has been amended to delete a redundant phrase "claims 1."

These amendments represent the correction of obvious typographic or clerical errors and do not add new matter to the specification.

The Objections to the Claims

All of the pending claims were objected to because of the partial illegibility of the previously filed response. Applicants have provided a legible copy of the previously filed response herewith.

Additionally, the Examiner noted informalities in claims 16 and 41. these informalities (typographic and clerical errors) have been corrected by the amendment presented in this response.

It is believed that the claim amendments and the submission of the fully legible copy of the previous response obviate this objection.

All formal matters having been corrected. All of the claims remaining in this case are believed to be allowable as was indicated by the Examiner. If any additional concerns arise, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone call from the Examiner to expedite processing of the application to issue.

Information Disclosure Statements


The Examiner requested Applicants assistance in reviewing the Information Disclosure Statements that had been filed and the copies of 1449 forms that had been initialed by the Examiner as considered. The undersigned has reviewed her records and the image file wrapper of the PAIR system. The undersigned cannot find initialed copies of the 1449 forms submitted in the initial Information Disclosure Statement filed in this case on March 9, 2000. Attached hereto as Appendix B is a copy of the IDS submitted to the Patent Office on March 9, 2000 containing 5 pages of 1449 forms which listed 51 references.

Also submitted is a copy of the postcard receipt date stamped by the US Patent Office indicating receipt of the IDS and the 51 references submitted. Applicant respectfully requests copies of initialed 1449 forms indicating that these references have been considered.

Conclusion

This amendment is believed to place all of the claims in condition for allowance and passage to issuance is respectfully requested. It is believed that no fees are due with this submission. If this is incorrect, please deduct any required fees that may be due from deposit account 07-1969. It is believed that no Petition for Extension of Time is needed to make this submission timely filed. If this is incorrect please deduct the required petition fees from deposit account 07/1969.

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